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## Cal Poly Plan being redirected by steering committee

### Student vote leaves committee looking for a 'Plan B'

By Matt Lazier  
Daily Staff Writer

Last week's referendum results did not spell the end for the Poly Plan; the Steering Committee must now decide where to allocate existing funds.

"We'll take what little money we have and make it go as far as it can," ASI President Steve McShane said. "The plan will continue, but at a slower pace."

According to Juan Gonzalez, vice president for student affairs, the Steering Committee has yet to develop an alternate funding plan, now that the students have voted down fee increases that would have generated nearly \$10 million.

"No one has identified a Plan 'B' as of yet," Gonzalez said. "Someone asked me that on Monday, as if we could just do it overnight. It is a very complicated process. But, we have complete commitment from all constituencies to move forward."

The Steering Committee's first priority right now is determining which of the over 100 requests for proposals (RFP) it's received should get funding.

These RFPs are proposals from individ-

uals or units within the university designed to allocate the revenue from last year's Poly Plan fee increase that was already approved, according to the Cal Poly World Wide Web Page.

According to Steering Committee member Irene Hoffman, the university still has \$2.1 million raised from last year's fee increase. Financial aid will take up \$700,000 of this money, and another \$1 million is set aside for 16 new faculty positions for the fall 1997 quarter.

This leaves \$400,000 to fund 135 RFPs, ranging in cost from \$2,500 to more than \$600,000. According to Hoffman and Gonzalez, the discrepancy between those two figures is huge.

"I believe the total of the proposals is \$9.7 million," Gonzalez said. "And the unallocated amount (from student fees) is \$400,000. So, there is quite an appetite there."

Many of the proposals on the table are requests for second-year funding for proposals approved last year, Hoffman said.

The dilemma for the Steering Committee now is to decide which projects are worthy for immediate funding.

"They are all great projects," Hoffman said. "They all have merit and they all reach different constituencies. It is a real challenge for the Steering Committee to develop criteria."

But Gonzalez expressed doubt about

many of the larger proposals.

"I don't believe that we will make any new faculty positions, outside of the 16 that were already approved," Gonzalez said. "And odds are that some of the proposals with higher costs will not be approved."

The committee hopes to decide on these proposals by the end of the quarter, Hoffman said.

"We have a commitment to these people who have the proposals together," Hoffman said. "We want to be able to tell them yes or no by summer."

The Steering Committee will meet today at 5 p.m. in the Administration building, room 409, to discuss these RFPs and

decide if new criteria should be created, Gonzalez said.

However, the final decision for these RFPs does not rest with the Steering Committee, Hoffman said. The proposals must pass through a review committee consisting of college deans, students, faculty, staff and the appropriate college dean and university vice-president.

"Of course, the ultimate decision does rest with President (Warren) Baker," Hoffman said.

Daily staff writer Alan Dunton contributed to this report

## One dead, one unconscious in apparent cult suicide imitation

By Dana Calvo  
Associated Press

ENCINITAS, Calif. - A former Heaven's Gate member was found dead and another unconscious Tuesday inside a hotel room where authorities said they attempted to imitate the cult's mass suicide.

The body of Wayne Cooke, 54, of Las Vegas and an unconscious Chuck Humphrey, 56, of Denver were found by deputies at 12:25 p.m. after the San Diego County Sheriff's Department received a phone call from CBS reporter Lesley Stahl, who had spoken with Cooke's daughter, said Sgt. Don Crist.

Near both men were purple shrouds similar to those on the bodies of 39 Heaven's Gate members found March 26 at a rented Rancho Santa Fe mansion, Crist said. The men were wearing black pants and black Nike shoes.

"They did have a note similar to the one that was found at Heaven's Gate, suggesting they were going to meet with their leader on the other side of the comet and suggesting suicide," Crist said.

Humphrey was taken to a hospital where he was listed in critical condition.

Cooke was married to Suzanne Sylvia Cooke, who committed suicide with the other members in March. In an interview on CBS' "60 Minutes" after the suicide, he said he wished he could join the group.

"I wish I had the strength to have stuck it out and gotten stronger and continued to be a part of that crew," he said.

Cooke said he was an "off and on" adherent for 23 years, but did not say why he left.

At a San Diego news conference last month, Humphrey said he left after growing impatient.

"I left the group because it had been 15 years, because many of the things we were told were going to happen didn't," he said. "I got tired of waiting."

Cooke's daughter, Kelly, received a FedEx package stating her father and a friend were in the San Diego area planning to commit suicide using the same concoction used in the earlier suicides.

Ms. Cooke called Ms. Stahl, who then contacted sheriff's deputies, Crist said. Ms. Cooke was uncooperative and spoke only in generalities, he said.

She believed they would either take their lives at the Rancho Santa Fe mansion or near the beach, Crist said. Deputies were able to track the package to the Holiday Inn Express in Encinitas, about four miles from the mansion.

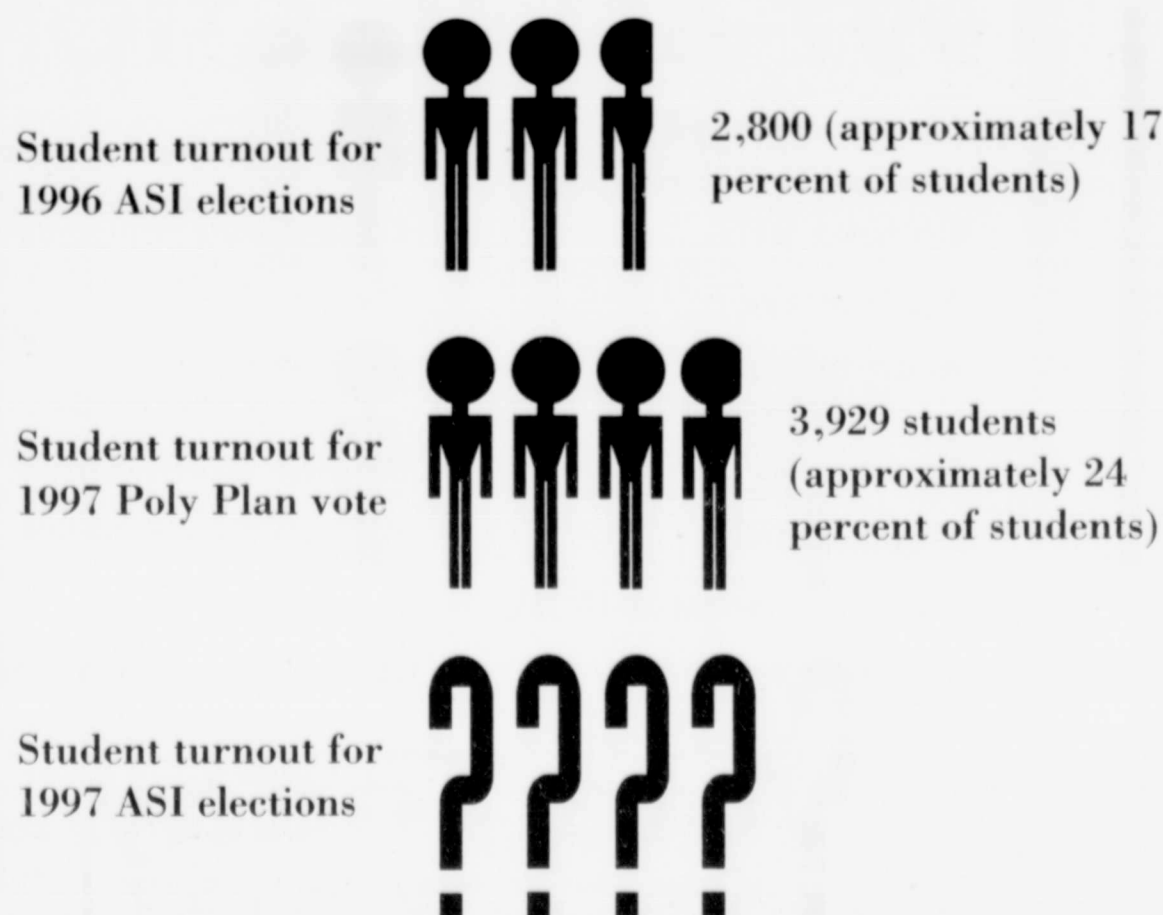
Robert W. Clarke, owner of the Holiday Inn, said two men checked into Room 222 about 2:20 p.m. Monday and paid \$59 to stay one night.



Election signs on campus. Running for president are Entzi, McShane, and Whiteley (not pictured)

## ASI elections begin today, so . . . GO VOTE.

Below is a breakdown of the last two voter turnouts for the Poly Plan and 1996 ASI elections.





## Army drill sergeant sentenced to 25 years for raping trainees

By David Dishneau  
Associated Press

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. - An Army drill sergeant who faced life in prison for raping six trainees was sentenced Tuesday to 25 years in a case that led to investigations of sexual misconduct at U.S. military bases worldwide.

Staff Sgt. Delmar G. Simpson stood calmly to hear his sentence and hugged his mother, Edna, after it was imposed. He left the courtroom with his arm around his wife's shoulders.

His attorney, Frank J. Spinner, said he will appeal and blamed the case on racial bias, though race was barely mentioned during the court-martial.

"If you're an African-American drill sergeant in the Army, you're an endangered species," he said. "If you're an African-American drill sergeant, any woman who you go behind closed doors with can turn into a rape claim."

Simpson is black and most of his accusers are white. Most of the drill sergeants at Aberdeen, 30 miles northeast of Baltimore, are black, as are 11 other staff members charged with sexual misconduct.

The jury of two black men, three white men and one white woman convicted Simpson a week ago and took about 2 1/2 hours to reach a decision on his sentence for 18 counts of rape and 29 other offenses, mostly

other forms of sexual misconduct.

The jury also ordered Simpson dishonorably discharged at the reduced rank of private, forfeiting all pay and pension benefits.

Maj. Gen. John E. Longhouser, commander of Aberdeen Proving Ground where Simpson worked, must approve the sentence. He may reduce it but not add to it. The sentence also will be automatically reviewed by the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals.

Some women's advocates considered the sentence lenient.

"If he were a civilian, he would not be sentenced to 25 years. He would be considered a serial rapist and would receive life in prison," said retired Air Force Lt. Col. Karen Johnson, vice president of the National Organization for Women.

Others said the verdict sent a message that the military won't tolerate sexual misconduct.

"This should be a flare in the night," said Lt. Col. Gabriel Riesco, chief of staff for the school at Aberdeen. "Those sergeants and instructors out there trolling instead of training should think twice."

The case prompted investigations into sexual misconduct at U.S. military bases worldwide. A sexual harassment hot line set up by the Army last November received more 1,243 complaints by late April.

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## Sister testifies that McVeigh warned: 'Something big is going to happen'

By Michael Fleeman  
Associated Press

DENVER - Timothy McVeigh left a computer message warning that federal agents would "swing in the wind one day" and wrote his sister just weeks before the Oklahoma bombing that "something big is going to happen," she testified Tuesday.

Jennifer McVeigh told jurors she followed her brother's instructions to burn his letter, which promised "something big is going to happen in the month of the bull," an astrological reference to either April or May.

"Did he ever tell you what that something was?" asked prosecutor Beth Wilkinson.

"No," Ms. McVeigh replied.

"And you never asked?"  
"No."

On April 19, 1995, a truck bomb exploded outside the downtown Oklahoma City federal building, killing 168 people and injuring more than 500 in the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

After she heard about her brother's arrest two days after the blast, Ms. McVeigh said she burned clippings he had given her from "The Turner Diaries," a racist novel that prosecutors say was a blueprint for the bombing.

"Why did you burn them?" Wilkinson asked.

"I was scared," said Ms. McVeigh, who has acknowledged she shared some of her brother's anti-government views.

Testifying under immunity for 2 1/2 hours over two days, Ms. McVeigh generally spoke in calm, even tones - sometimes sounding practiced. She entered the courtroom smiling broadly at her brother, and mouthed the words, "Good morning." He smiled back.

But the demeanor of the 23-year-old college student changed dramatically when she spoke about her intense eight-day interrogation by FBI agents, who told her she could face the death penalty if she didn't cooperate. Her voice cracked and she began crying into a white tissue.

Under cross-examination, she said she was questioned in a room plastered with poster-sized pictures of herself and her brother,

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## Californians divided on gay, lesbian issues

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO - While Californians are almost evenly divided on their acceptance of homosexuality, the majority think gay domestic partners deserve legal recognition, according to a Field Poll released Tuesday.

Pollsters found that 45 percent of those questioned believe same-sex relationships are wrong, while 38 percent believe such relationships are never wrong and 9 percent believe they are sometimes wrong.

Despite the split, 67 percent of those polled favored legal recogni-

tion of family rights for domestic partners. And nearly 69 percent favored granting child custody rights to a gay or lesbian parent if the court finds him or her fit to care for the child in all other ways. The latter marks a significant shift in public opinion in the last two decades, pollsters said.

Still, 56 percent of the California public disapproves of same-sex marriage and the laws that would allow that type of union. And 49 percent favor a state law barring recognition of same-sex marriages from other states.

Meanwhile, 38 percent

approve of same-sex marriage, also an increase over the past 20 years, pollsters said.

Other poll results found that 41 percent of Californians believe gay rights leaders are pushing too fast, while 39 percent perceive the pace is about right.

Of those surveyed, 67 percent also said they have no personal identification with the lesbian and gay community.

The San Francisco-based Field Institute conducted the survey in February among 1,045 California adults. The margin of error was plus or minus 3.5 percent.

## Woman's death raises questions about diet pill

By John Hendren  
Associated Press

NEW YORK - The death of a Massachusetts woman who took diet drugs to fit into her wedding dress has increased scrutiny of an unapproved but widely used drug cocktail known as "fen-phen."

Before Mary Linnen of Quincy, Mass., died in February from a

heart and lung disorder, drug maker Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories Inc. warned doctors that taking its appetite suppressant, fenfluramine, with the competing phen-termine is "not recommended."

The Food and Drug Administration has never approved the combination, but

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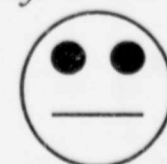
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### OOPS! Corrections from Tuesday's Daily (hey, we're only human).

Mustang Daily regrets an error in the caption on the May 5 Wildflower trash photos found on page 3. The caption incorrectly stated that the photographer of the photographs was Joe Johnston. In reality the creative photographer was Maureen McDowell. (We're sorry Maureen, we should have known such good photos could only be shot by you!)

Mustang Daily also regrets an error in the story about Holocaust Remembrance day sponsored by Hillel. The article incorrectly stated that "the audience watched as the Libyan army started shooting amongst unarmed protestors." In reality, it was a Serbian army, not a Libyan.



Have a day.



# Fraternity blends music and philanthropy for outdoor festival

By Adrienne Gross  
Daily Staff Writer

In its fourth year, the outdoor music festival Polypalooza 4 will take its fundraising efforts and lineup of local and big-name bands to the grassy field at the San Luis Obispo Elks Lodge on May 17.

All profits from the annual concert, sponsored by Sigma Nu fraternity, go directly to the San Luis Obispo County AIDS Support Network (ASN), which strives to improve the quality of life for county residents associated with and suffering from AIDS.

"All money made above our operational costs, (about \$20,000), goes to the AIDS Support Network," said Polypalooza Chairman Ryan Griswold. "We hope to raise about \$5,000 this year, but that's a very conservative figure."

ASN volunteer coordinator Edie Kahn said all the money will go toward the general support of the agency including rent, food and costs of their other programming made available to about 100 clients. The ASN will also have a booth set up at Polypalooza 4 with information about ASN, AIDS and safe sex. They will also pass out free condoms.

"The best thing (about Polypalooza) is that the educational opportunity has been made available for us to talk to an at-risk age group. Everything is real up-front at the event including where the money is going," she said.

Kahn added that the publicity and attention gained by Polypalooza is more than they could hope for, and ASN appreciates the amount of work put in by members of Sigma Nu.

"Sigma Nu estimated that almost 3,000 man-hours are put in to set up and coordinate this

event from the T-shirts to the bands and the publicity," Kahn said. "Sigma Nu called (ASN) about three years ago and said, 'We want to do this as a benefit.' (Members) chose a charity that meant something to them, and perhaps, they felt was under-served in the community."

Griswold said Sigma Nu hopes to draw big crowds with the headliner, Dishwalla, famed for its hit single, "Counting Blue Cars." Many have seen the group's video taped at MTV's summer beach house. Recently, the band played at the Santa Barbara Bowl's concert benefiting the Community Environment Council. Also performing were Perry Farrell's Porno For Pyros and fellow Santa Barbara natives, Summercamp.

"Dishwalla and Summercamp are not necessarily a Bowl show, which is why we added Porno For Pyros. In the last six or seven months, though, (Dishwalla) has come a long way," said Sam Scranton, the Santa Barbara Bowl's general manager. "They should do well at a smaller venue like San Luis Obispo."

Sigma Nu recruited Dishwalla to this year's event by putting out an open casting call to various talent agencies, Griswold said.

"(Dishwalla) liked the cause and were willing to come for a nominal fee compared to their normal rate," Griswold said.



Daily file photo by Maureen McDowell

Local band Itchy McGuirk will once again liven up the stage at this year's annual Polypalooza concert on May 17.

Last year's headlining act, The Tories, signed a record deal April 28 with N2K (Need To Know) Records.

"In April 1996, (The Tories) headlined at Polypalooza. Being in Los Angeles, everyone is too cool for school, but in San Luis Obispo, it feels like you're really putting on a show for a lot of energized and great fans," said David Christensen, manager of The Tories.

Other bands participating in Polypalooza 4 are Itchy McGuirk, Allstar and Mr. Fabulous. Griswold expects a larger turnout than last year, when Sigma Nu donated about \$1,000 to the ASN. This year's bands promise to draw

bigger crowds, Griswold said.

"Last year, we had (Polypalooza) on Mother's Day weekend. We lost a lot of (families) and nice children, who were home with their moms," he said.

Despite support from campus and ASN, some community members are not too happy about the event's beer garden provided by the Elk's Lodge. Last year, Sigma Nu tried to visit area schools to promote Polypalooza and AIDS awareness, but because of the beer garden they stopped after receiving complaints from a visit to San Luis Obispo High School.

"The Elk's Lodge is the separate third-party vendor of the beer garden. It has nothing to do

with either Sigma Nu or the AIDS Support Network. We do not receive any of the profits from the beer garden," Griswold said. "(The beer garden) is part of the agreement in order to use the Elks Field."

The beer and the crowd starts flowing in at 11 a.m. with bands tuning up at noon. Mr. Fabulous starts off the day, followed by Allstar and Itchy McGuirk. Veteran-palooza band, The Tories, hits the stage before the final sensation of the festival, Dishwalla. Tickets are sold at the Cal Poly ticketing office, Boo Boo Records and The Warehouse for \$15 pre-sale and \$18 at the gate.

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## Protestors taking aim at Nike

By Susanna Ray  
The Daily (U. of Washington)

(U-WIRE) SEATTLE — Three giant gangly puppets, each at least 15 feet high, towered above crowds at the Niketown promotion night before the Seattle Mariners game Saturday evening.

At first glance they provided an almost festive atmosphere, with the Mariners band playing just inside Gate D at the Kingdome.

Their message, however, was anything but festive.

About 25 protesters, including five UW students, rallied against Nike's labor practices. Nike has come under fire lately for the poor working conditions, low wages and use of child labor in its shoe factories in countries such as Indonesia.

"I'm protesting the fact that [Nike] and other companies like Reebok are using child labor and paying wages that are basically starving people, just because they can do it legally in other countries," said Rachel Freund, a UW freshman pre-major. "And they pay sports celebrities tons of money, which is just bullshit."

See NIKE page 8



## Plan, football and Whiteley limping on last legs

BY JONNY VANDAL

Well the Poly Plan vote came in with a bang and left the ballot limping. The plan isn't completely dead, President Baker and the rest of ASI can still breathe some life into it, if they want. One thing is sure, students didn't buy the fee increase that they were trying to shove down our throats. Good for those who voted no. Contrary to the opinion stated by one Poly Plan supporter that those of us who voted against it are stupid, I would say they are very smart.

For years governments have been forcing their way on the people with increased taxes to pay for programs, and they never deliver. This time, the students stood up and said "no way." Even though a majority support the goals of the plan, as do I, the method of funding the project needs to be researched more. I urge Steve McShane and the rest of the plan supporters to go back the drawing board and search for new methods of funding.

The plan itself is an example of looking toward the future and finding new solutions to old problems, but the creators of the plan decided to use old methods of funding. You guys up on the hill are smarter than that. If you try real hard I'm sure you can find innovative methods of funding just as you have found innovative solutions to the problems facing Cal Poly.

On to the football front, Cal Poly's new head football coach was plucked down from Atascadero and I don't think those making the decision thought about it very long. There had to have been more qualified people than a high school football coach. If not, at least move one of the assistants up to fill the spot. At least he would already have Division I-AA experience. But a high school coach? No offense to the locals around here but your high school programs are way down in the divisions of California high school sports. Granted, the teams are good in their divisions, but look at the divisions. I feel sorry for the guys who have to put up with his high school ways on the field. These players are men now, not kids.

One of his assistants has already quit because of coaching differences. Booker said in the Telegram-Tribune that he and Welsh didn't see eye-to-eye on coaching methods. Booker also mentioned that he spoke to some of his peers at other colleges and even some pro coaches. When he mentioned what Welsh was doing, they all laughed. Unfortunately, I don't think our team will be laughing after an 0-11 record. Well, who knows? My conspiracy friends keep telling me the whole thing is a plot to do away with Poly football altogether. This is a good start.

Speaking of a good start, that "other" ASI presidential candidate is NOT off to one. Jed Whiteley unkindly decided not to show up to the editors' little interview session Sunday night. I dunno, maybe he was still recovering from a wild Wildflower, or practicing his keg stands or something. Also from the MIA file, Whiteley decided not to attend the CPTV candidate debate, either.

Maybe he just plain forgot it was Sunday. I can't imagine all those keg stands do anything good for the short-term memory. It's too bad the guy is playing mystery man, because it would have been nice to see a serious contender from outside of the ASI ranks. But, unfortunately, Jed seems to be lost in a pool of Coors. He says he wouldn't want to be a "shitty president," but he sure is starting off on the wrong foot by being a shitty candidate.

Until next time, pat your head and rub your belly at the same time.

Jonny Vandal

## Supporting the Plan, but blasting the survey

Editor,

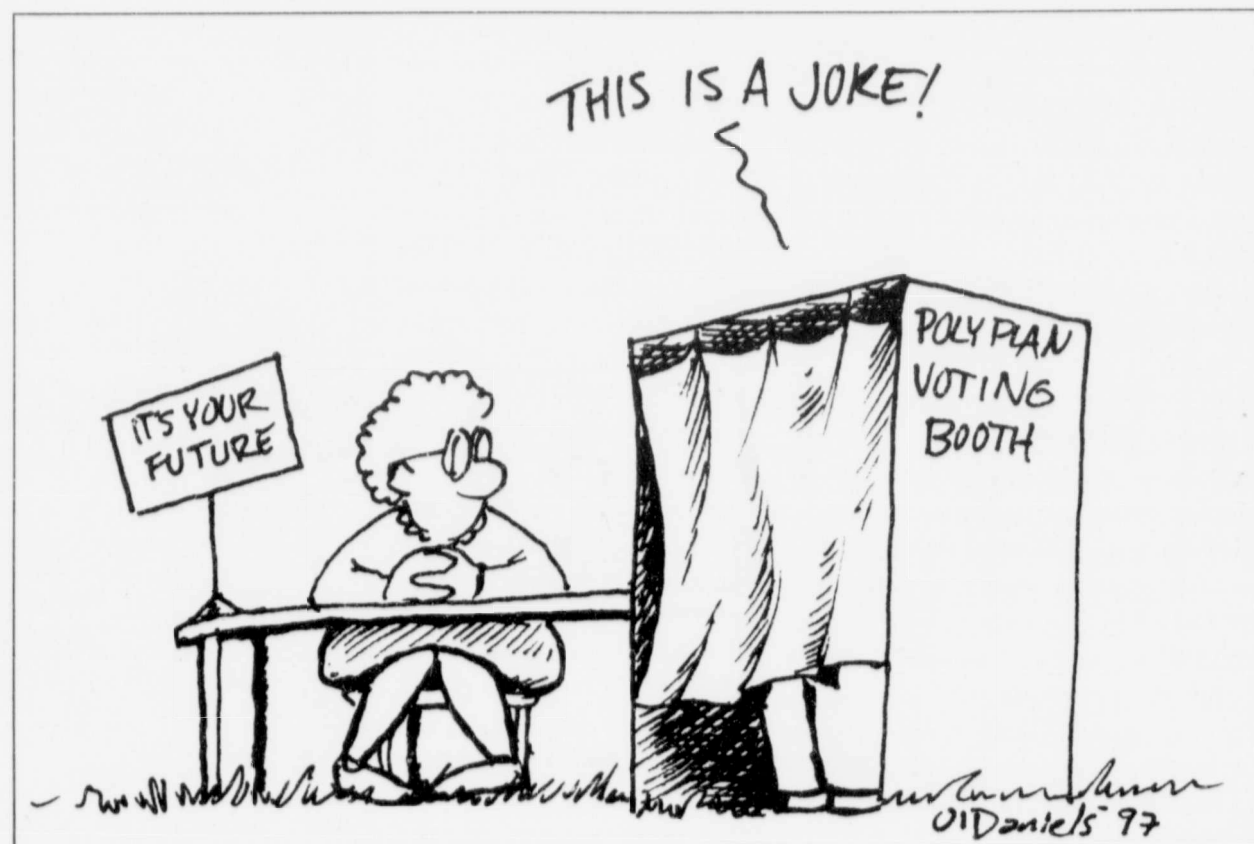
Having been slightly misquoted last week, I thought I might add some perspective to the recent outcome of the "advisory referendum." I strongly agree with Alan Dunton that the decision of 75.3 percent of the polled students to reject the fee increase is incredibly short sighted and even immature. These same students will have a Cal Poly undergraduate degree for approximately 50 years after graduation (statistically speaking). The quality and reputation of that degree therefore affects many aspects of these lives for a long time. Furthermore, and somewhat paradoxically, if a university improves its academic reputation, then even distant graduates gain that increased prestige. I know that I have personally benefited from this phenomenon.

In addition, the opportunity cost of being here for four years as opposed to being in the work force with a high school diploma for the same amount of time is approximately \$100,000. This makes the size of the fee increase quite literally trivial when compared to other costs already imposed.

Although the data do not support this type of analysis, I would love to see a cross-tabulation between parental support of the fee increase (78.9 percent) versus student support (23.8 percent). I know that there are students who support themselves and have to earn a wage to stay in school, but I suspect that a great many here are substantively supported by the same parents that have a long-term perspective on the value of a first rate undergraduate education and are therefore willing to support a trivial increment in costs.

Now having said all that, the "advisory referendum" was quite literally a joke. From the perspective of survey research and data analysis, my area of teaching and research, there was little or no scientific value in the instrument. Whether the two versions were deliberately manipulative or simply incompetently constructed is an open question. We go to great lengths to recruit and enroll intelligent and analytical young people, so why treat these same individuals as stupid when applying an attitudinal measure?

Survey research is a mature and developed sub-field of political science, sociology, marketing research, psychology and economics. The basic principles are readily understood and applied. Given this and the fact that these disciplines are represented here by faculty with advanced degrees, why was the instrument constructed so poorly?



To give a concrete example, I saw one analysis where a mean average was calculated from Likert scale data. Since a Likert scale is an ordinal measure (the distance between ordered points is unknown), then a mean average is literally useless and misleading. As a

result of seeing these types of procedures, I suspect that a reasonable proportion of the "outcomes" were due to the quality of the methodology.

Jeff Gill

Political science assistant professor

## One question missing from the vote

Editor,

Last week, Cal Poly students were given a chance to improve their education, as well as the education of future students. Fortunately, that is exactly what students did in voting "no" on the Poly Plan. Contrary to the rash assumptions made by Poly Plan advocates, voting against the plan was not done in either selfishness or ignorance.

The students supporting the goals of the plan, but not the increase in fees, have been widely misinterpreted. Students are overwhelmingly in favor of the goals, however the money that has been spent has not done justice to the realization of its goals. Our money has been spent carelessly on "experimental pet projects" that give professors bragging rights to the sophisticated programs they are responsible for. Some of these programs may even be good, however, they need to optimize the benefits that are received in proportion to the amount of funding that is given. As of yet, the programs have been wasteful and are not maximizing the cost/benefit ratio.

The problem with the ballot is that it lacked one vital question. "Do you feel the Poly Plan money has been spent wisely?" So far our money has not been spent effectively. It would therefore be careless and destructive to supply more money for the plan until the desired quality can be achieved with the funds already given. The "no" vote has already begun to realize the intended effect.

Presently the committee is discussing "how to best meet the universities needs with limited funds" and "establishing review committees within academic departments to refine their proposals." Even the best proposals need to be revised to ensure the highest quality for the money spent. Now that the committee has been allocated limited funds, it will be forced to pursue the cost/benefit ratio the students desire. Once they have proven they can effectively spend the money we have already given them, maybe well consider giving them more.

Ben Miskie,

ASI Engineering Board of Directors candidate

## SEX T.A.L.K.

### A little birth controlling information about the Pill

Greetings from the Sexuality Team. Just in case you're not familiar with Sex T.A.L.K. let us explain. We are one of four teams which makes up Peer Health Education here at Cal Poly. We write this article once a month, answering whatever sexuality questions you may have. To whet your whistle a bit, some past articles answer the following: "Is it safe to have sex while a woman is on her period?" "Can you get HIV from kissing?" and "What exactly is in pre-cum anyway?" If you've got a burning question, drop it off in the Sex T.A.L.K. box located downstairs in the Health Center. That's where you can find us, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. So, on to this week's question.

"I'm interested in going on the Pill but I'm not really sure how it works. My roommate said it fools your body into thinking it's pregnant. Is that true? I tried reading about it in a book and it talked about the Pill sending messages to the brain. Could you give a more detailed explanation than my roommate's and tell me what the Pill actually does? Thanks."

The Pill, also known as an oral contra-

ceptive, is one of the most widely used hormonal methods of birth control. It's relatively safe and, if used correctly, is 97 percent effective against pregnancy.

This is how it works: you take one pill everyday at the same time. This usually goes in 28-day cycles. Those little pills have two hormones in them: estrogen and progesterone. The reason it's important to take the Pill everyday at the same time is to keep the level of these hormones constant.

Each hormone has a specific duty. The estrogen suppresses ovulation. That is, it inhibits the ovary from ever releasing the egg and sending it down the fallopian tube in the first place. Just in case that doesn't work, this castle's got two moats.

If for some reason, like the pill not getting taken at the same time, an egg does get released, then the progesterone has two back-up plans. The progesterone creates a hostile cervical mucus, discouraging sperm from traveling through the cervix. The second thing progesterone does is thin the lining of the uterus. So, if the egg does get released and the sperm

actually gets by the thickened cervical mucus, the egg won't be able to implant in the uterine wall because the progesterone has thinned it.

By the way, the message from the brain that book mentioned is a message to the ovary not to release the egg.

If you decide to go on the Pill, you need to have a pelvic exam by a practitioner in order for the pills to be prescribed to you. The Pill varies by brand name, hormonal dosage levels and price. Comparatively, Cal Poly's prices are pretty reasonable. Talk to your practitioner to decide if you're a good candidate for the Pill. For women with heart conditions or high blood pressure, another contraceptive method might be a better choice for you. Talk it over with your provider.

And don't forget, the Pill doesn't protect you from sexually transmitted infections. So use a barrier method like the female or male condom. If you have more questions about the Pill or anything related to sexuality come by Peer Health or call us at 756-5252. See you in a couple of weeks.



## Letters to the Editor

### RESPONSE TO AL DUNTON

## Staff writer's support of Poly Plan was ignorant

#### Editor,

Thank you Alan Dunton for pointing out my extreme "selfishness, ignorance and general stupidity." It has provoked me to rethink my entire assessment of the Poly Plan and those who push for it. My opinions were based upon such flawed observations as:

1. Cal Poly's first instinct when short of funds is to siphon my wallet rather than tighten its belt.

2. Every attempt is made to put a rosy spin on clear-cut public opposition to the plan.

3. Plan supporters show contempt for their opponents and

are willing to hurl obscenities to show their "superiority."

4. Plan supporters expect us to believe that Poly can't make cutbacks first. Yet they build a new theater and a stadium is on the way. Worse, they're trying to expand GE's to four units. The word "polytechnic" might as well be removed from the university's name.

Yep, thank you Mr. Dunton. I now have seen the light and will be honored to join the snob circle which composes the enlightened supporters of the Cal Poly Plan.

**Kurt Horner**

*Architectural engineering sophomore*

#### Editor,

Generally, I don't feel the need to respond to the various opinion articles found in Mustang Daily, but Monday's selection by Mr. Dunton was just too much. Mr. Dunton obviously feels that he has the ability to judge those of us on campus who voted "no" on tuition increases to fund the Poly Plan. Though I can't speak about the rest of the campus population in such sweeping terms as Mr. Dunton feels qualified to do, I will tell you about my reasons for voting "no."

First of all, since I began school here in 1993 tuition has gone up significantly just about every quarter, with little information about where the money was spent. In addition, though I support the goals of the Poly Plan, the majority of propaganda in favor of it, with no outline about how the money was going to be spent, worried me. Lastly, the most compelling reason for why I voted against the tuition increases is much more personal in nature. I don't know Mr. Dunton's situation but my parents' income falls in the middle class range that basically ensures I qualify for no financial support for my education here at Cal Poly. So, my parents SACRIFICE a great deal to send not only myself but my sister as well to

this fine institution, and they simply can not afford another fee hike.

Mr. Dunton appears to just be venting his frustrated feelings by insulting those of us that don't share his opinion, so I'll try not to be too offended. However, I believe my integrity is firmly in place and that I, as well as many others, intelligently thought through our decision to vote "no" on the Poly Plan fee increase.

**Ann Marie Carotenuti**  
*Dairy science senior*

## Letters to the Editor

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We reserve the right to edit out mistakes, but we promise not to change the meaning.

Thanks.



## Time to change the way we treat our circular diapers



BY KABIR GAMBHIR

Just about everyone I know has at one time or another gone through the motions of potty training. We missed and pissed all over the place and with the support of our parents or someone, we figured it out. We figured out when it was time to "go" and the places to put our "stuff." This was a period that lasted a little while for some and longer for others. We moved up in the world of responsibility and no longer had to wear those puffy-elasto-spandy-plastic diapers. In some sense, this was the beginning of taking care of ourselves and our actions.

Many years have passed since that little grunt of an experience and most of us are now considered adults, at least adults by law. We go through our days, potty trained and responsible, not leaving our "stuff" for others to clean up. This ethic of responsible "stuff" or "waste" management, unfortunately does not apply to all aspects of our lives. This is especially the case with our garbage.

In the early hours of morning, as you are restfully sleeping, people are visiting you. Making a bit of noise, they rumble away to their next destination, perhaps your neighbor's house. These people are the scavengers of the morning, and take only what you would be so gracious to give to them. They may not come around for another week, but you are unaware of the service that these people do for you. They gladly accept the refuse that fills your house and once a week they leave you empty-handed and refuse-free. Who are these people who thoroughly weave in and out of your neighborhood? These waste collectors are your local garbage collectors that comb the neighborhoods weekly to take whatever you can give them that is considered waste.

You do not have a hard task, just fill some containers and set it near the front of your house, and those people take care of the rest. These garbage people are like our second parents or that special someone who cleans up after ourselves and makes sure that we have a place to put our "stuff."

These collectors take so much stuff from us, much of it is not even waste. About 30 percent of it is organic and more than half of the rest is recyclable. Unfortunately these collectors and their actions are removed from our day-to-day lives and they move quickly to get their job done fast. Garbage is very unlike the necessities of life, such as water and sleep, we just don't want it. So why all of the talk about these people and their jobs that few people know or care about?

Well, our landfills keep filling up and more than half our stuff is recyclable. We are just absolutely out of

control in our wasteful garbage habits and most of us could give a "stuff" about it. As I wonder around campus, I watch the few opportunities that people have to be responsible for their waste, such as by recycling, get overlooked. Plastics, glass and paper get tossed into the permanent landfill garbage containers that are often located right next to a recycle container. Are you one of these people? Have you not been trained in this area? Do you need someone to hold your hand, as your parents did to aid you in putting your "stuff" somewhere?

Just in the last couple of weeks the garbage collectors in San Francisco went on strike. Avoiding the bureaucratic politics behind this issue, the bottom line is that the garbage was not picked up for a week. Just one week had passed and the city received a smelly wake-up call, alerting and revealing the mass of waste that was collecting in alleyways and the sides of streets. The mayor of San Francisco was about to declare it an emergency if garbage was not picked up because it was a possible health threat. I think it was a great service on behalf of the garbage collectors to go on strike, so people can find out what it is that they are throwing in their circular diapers every week. Those garbage collectors, a job that most people look down upon, resumed their collections and graciously took the "stuff" from the refuse containers.

I hope that San Luis Obispo's garbage collectors go on strike, or for some reason decide to skip your house one week, just so you will notice all of the "stuff" that doesn't belong in the circular diaper thing that we unload everything into every week. The big ceramic potty that we graduated to when we were young was quite an achievement. Most of still use this device for its intended purpose, a place to put our bodily waste. These toilets were intended to just accept that "stuff" and nothing more. They were not intended to accept paper, plastics, bananas, apples, metal and many other things.

In the same respect we have for our ceramic thrones, we should respect our trash cans, that I have so affectionately called our circular diapers. These circular diapers should be filled with only non-recyclable or non-compostable waste. Maybe then the garbage collector would not have to come around so often, because we have become more responsible with our "stuff." Just like when we were young, and entered a new age of responsibility of not having our parents clean up after our "stuff," I hope we grow up and responsibly take care of our waste and wasteful habits.

Taking care of my "stuff" and enjoying another sun swept beautiful spring day ..... Kabir.

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# Kentucky coach says 'yes' to Celtics

By Howard Ulman  
Associated Press

BOSTON — The lure of the green finally pulled Rick Pitino away from the bluegrass.

The Boston Celtics rich tradition and wide-open wallets enticed the coach to leave a Kentucky program worshipped throughout the state for the NBA's most storied franchise.

"What we built in Kentucky is the challenge I take on in Boston," Pitino said Tuesday.

He's being paid very well for it, better perhaps than any coach in any sport. His 10-year deal is worth a reported \$70 million, although Pitino wouldn't discuss it at his news conference at the school he led to three Final Fours in his eight seasons.

In five years, he took the Wildcats from NCAA probation to the NCAA championship. Now he'll try to take the Celtics — whose 16 green-and-white championship banners hang over the FleetCenter's parquet court — from the worst record in their history, 15-67, to respectability and beyond.

"I can't promise a championship next year," said Pitino, who is returning to the city where he began his head coaching career in 1978 at Boston University. "I'd like to take advantage of this glorious tradition and see if we can bring it back."

And that tradition was the one thing the Celtics had over other teams that tried to tempt Pitino to leave Kentucky. He turned

down a five-year, \$30 million deal from the New Jersey Nets last June and had been courted by other NBA teams since going to Kentucky.

Considering his reputation as one of basketball's best coaches and the status of Kentucky and the Celtics, his exit was curiously low key.

He showed little emotion and talked without his usual expression as he finally told Wildcat backers what they dreaded. And in Boston, the Celtics issued a simple statement: "The entire Boston Celtics family would like to welcome coach Rick Pitino to Boston. We look forward to an exciting new era of Celtics basketball."

Pitino deferred several questions until a news conference planned for Boston on Thursday.

"We're going to win in Boston," he said. "It may not show up right away ... but I guarantee, the Boston fans will have a smile on their face."

He has the track record to back that up, having produced immediate improvement at each of the previous four teams he coached.

The New York Knicks, his only other NBA team, won a total of 47 games in the two seasons before he arrived. They won 52 and captured the Atlantic Division title in his second and last season in 1988-89. The Celtics won 48 games their last two seasons under M.L. Carr, who resigned last Wednesday.

Now Pitino has the job he

called "the greatest opportunity ever afforded a coach."

"If we're successful, I will grow old with the Boston Celtics. ... If we lose, I'll just grow old," he said.

His team should be far more exciting than it was the last two seasons in which the Celtics missed the playoffs.

"It's the lure of the Boston Celtics. It's magical," Pitino said.

Part of that tradition is Larry Bird, and one of Pitino's first acts after taking the job was to call him in Naples, Fla., where he played in a charity golf event for his son's school Tuesday.

"I certainly will have discussions with him," Pitino said.

Bird, the Celtics special assistant the past five years, is being courted by the Indiana Pacers to return to his home state as coach, but Celtics owner Paul Gaston wants to keep him.

The club did not address the future of Carr, who remains director of basketball operations.

But K.C. Jones said he and the other assistant coaches — Dennis Johnson and John Kuester, were fired. And general manager Jan Volz, a club employee for 26 years, stepped down.

Pitino's reported deal dwarfs the \$25-million, five-year package the Philadelphia 76ers gave Larry Brown this week. In 1995, Pat Riley signed a five-year deal with the Miami Heat reportedly worth more than \$30 million, including \$3 million in salary and 10 percent ownership of the team.

In 15 seasons as a college head

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# UCLA on 3-year NCAA probation, 1995 NCAA softball title taken away

By Tom Harrigan  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - UCLA was ordered to forfeit its 1995 women's softball NCAA championship Tuesday and was barred from this year's national softball tournament - just five days before pairings are announced.

The NCAA committee of infractions also required that a senior associate director of athletics be removed - which UCLA carried out last year. And the NCAA limited UCLA's scholarships for softball for the next two years.

The sanctions mean that the entire athletic program will be put on probation for three years. The probation only affects softball, but all other sports, including basketball and football, will be closely monitored during that period.

Betsy Stephenson, who was hired last summer as UCLA's senior woman administrator-associate athletic director, said she was surprised the current UCLA softball team was barred from the NCAA tournament.

"That's an understatement," she said.

Stephenson said members of the softball team, ranked fourth in the country with a 39-11

record, were "devastated."

"... I informed them of the penalties, at that point, the student-athletes were devastated, and extremely frustrated that they had been told this year would not be impacted," Stephenson said. "When that rug is pulled out from under you, you'd be devastated."

Stephenson said she had been the one who had told the players that this year wouldn't be involved, "based on the best information I had gathered over the last 10 months."

The violations involved listing some softball players as multi-sport athletes receiving soccer scholarships, although they did not compete in soccer.

The senior associate director of athletics was involved in arranging a soccer tryout for one of those softball players, but not until after the soccer season was over, the NCAA reported.

UCLA officials have 15 days to appeal, but if the school hopes to play in this year's NCAA tournament, obviously an appeal must be made this week in that regard.

"We've got a lot of work to do in the next 48 hours," Stephenson said. "We just need

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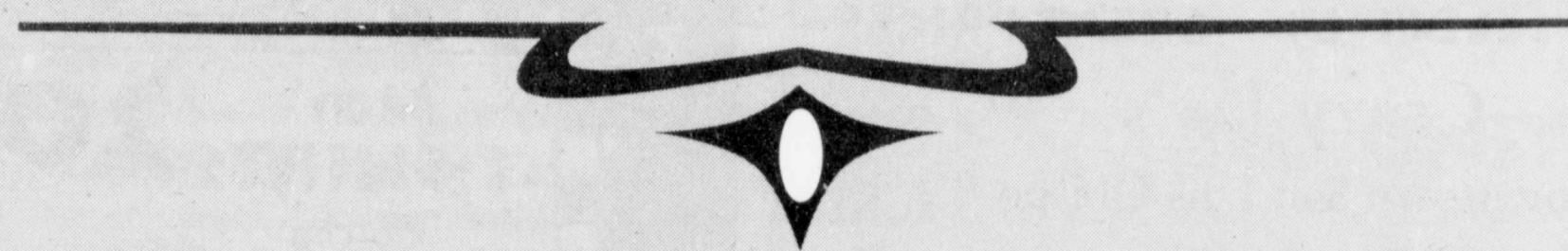
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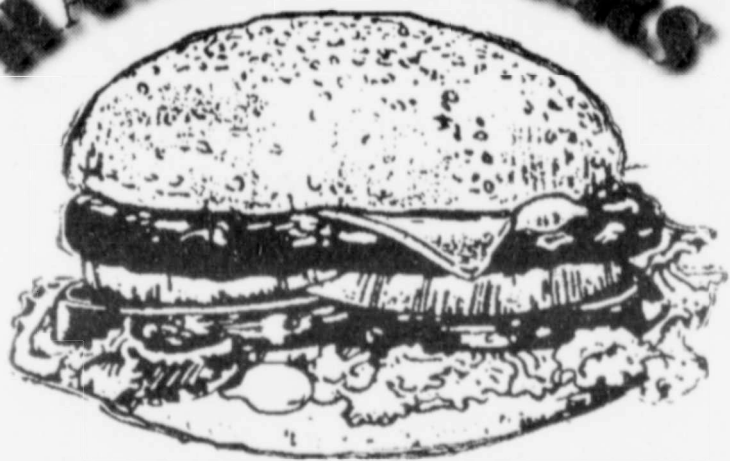
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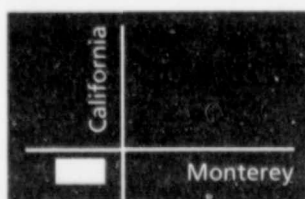
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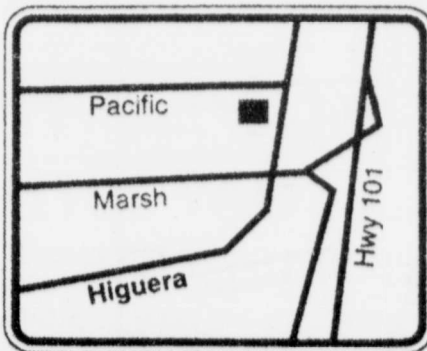
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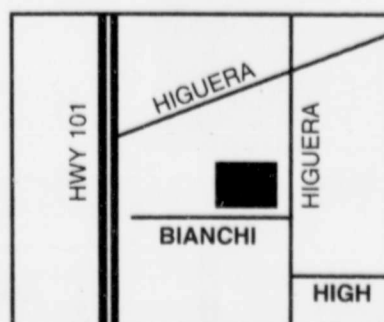
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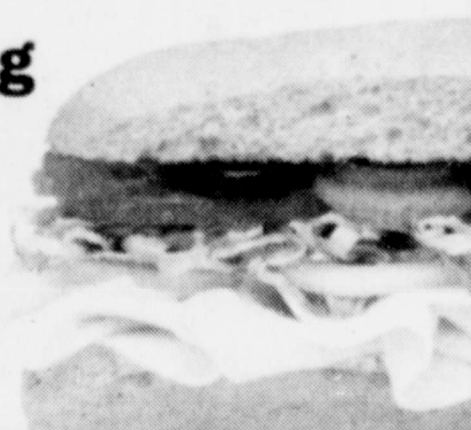
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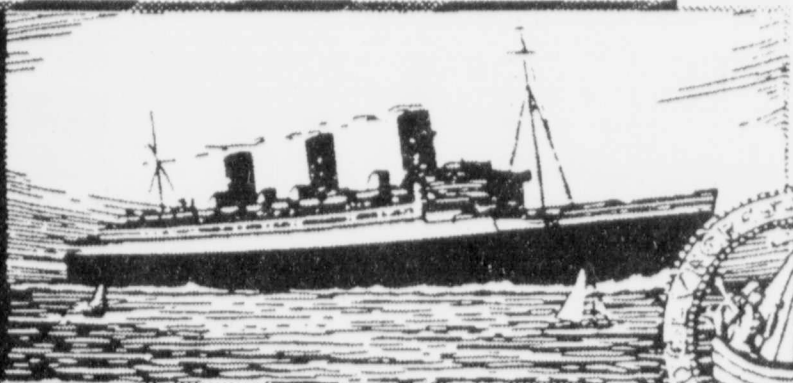
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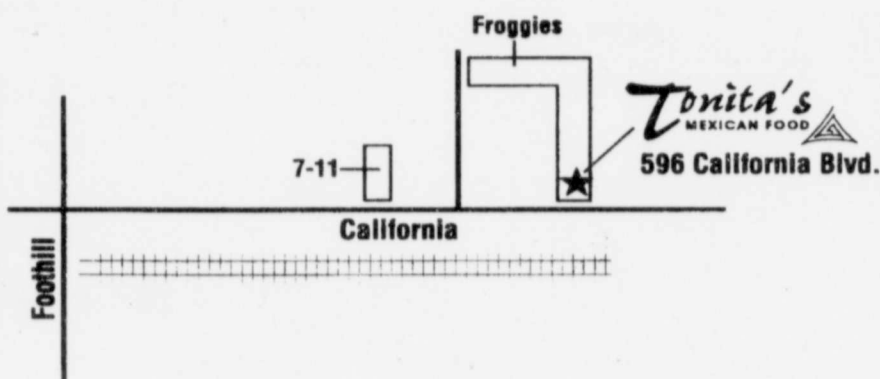
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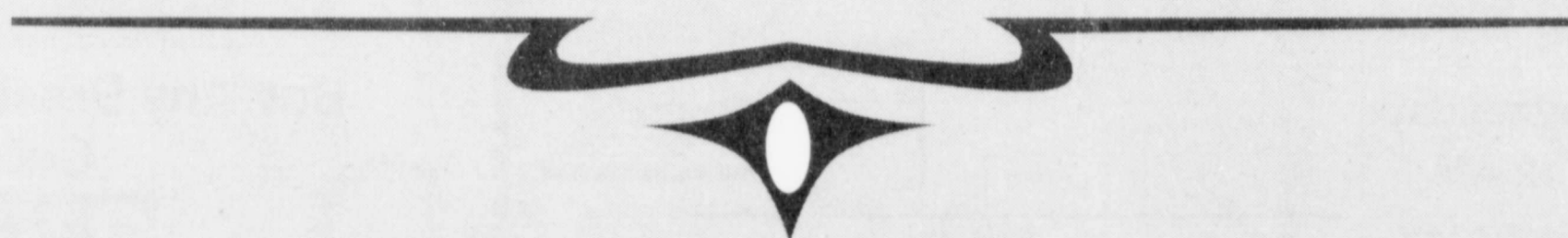
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## The naked truth: Female Northwestern students interview for Playboy magazine

By George Sax

Daily Northwestern (Northwestern U.)

(U-WIRE) EVANSTON, Ill. — Representatives of Playboy magazine interviewed female Northwestern students at The Omni Orrington Hotel yesterday for a chance to appear in the special "Women of the Big Ten" issue in October.

Playboy photographer David Mecey said NU usually produces the fewest Playboy candidates of all Big Ten schools.

"Historically, Northwestern has been a tough school to get candidates from because of the conservative nature of the school and the conservatism of Evanston," Mecey said. "This year, we've got 12 to 15 girls lined up to see us, which is a record - usually we only get about eight."

The Playboy pictorial usually features about 100 women from all 11 Big Ten universities, said Playboy publicist Karen Ring-Borgstrom. Playboy profiles a different college conference every year. The magazine last published a Big Ten pictorial in 1992.

Mecey said Playboy has gotten a record response from the Big Ten this year.

Mecey has interviewed between 500 and 600 coeds from the conference so far, he said.

"It's the best response I've seen since I've worked here," he said.

"It'll probably be the best college pictorial in 16-17 years. The women have just been stunning: great potential models."

Participants will be paid on a sliding scale of about \$100 to \$500, depending on the degree of nudity with which they feel comfortable, Mecey said. Candidates may choose to appear fully-clothed, partially nude, or completely nude, he said.

Mecey said about ten percent of the candidates will be featured in the issue, which will be sold at newsstands in late September.

Some students said they wonder what kind of person would try out for a chance to appear in Playboy.

"You have to question the character of somebody if they chose to participate in something like that," said Kamaria Hill, a McCormick junior.

Sara Goldstein, a Speech junior, said one of her friends at the University of Michigan will be pictured in the Big Ten issue.

"She's always had big insecurity problems and now she's saying things like, 'Now, people think I'm pretty,'" Goldstein said. "I think that's really sad."

But Playboy's publicist defended the candidates.

"Most of the girls who come in are really serious students," Ring-Borgstrom said. "Their family and friends read Playboy, and it makes them look glamorous

without being too explicit. Usually radio and TV people call them after they're pictured and offer them jobs."

One student complained about Playboy's recruiting tactics.

"I cannot believe that The Daily printed that Playboy ad in the paper - I found that offensive," said Lindsay Woods, a Speech sophomore.

Advertisements for the Playboy interviews ran in The Daily Northwestern yesterday and on April 7.

But Mecey said the recruiting is pressure-free.

"We don't go to the campus and proposition the women," Mecey said. "We take out an ad in the paper and it's up to the women to come in and interview."

At least one student was willing to defend Playboy.

"I think it's great, not obscene or anything," said Richard Alvarez, a Medill freshman. "If people have beautiful bodies and want to be seen in Playboy, it's their decision."

Mecey agreed that Playboy is not obscene.

"It's tasteful and respectful of women," he said.

"Most of the women I photograph say we make them look beautiful and very self-confident."

Mecey will continue interviewing candidates at the Omni Orrington, 1710 Orrington Ave., today.

## Jackson 5, Bee Gees lead class of '97 into rock's Hall of Fame

By John Affleck

Associated Press

CLEVELAND - The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductions, a road show for their entire 12-year history, finally came home to the Cleveland museum Tuesday.

The list of honorees read like a 1970s pop chart: the Jackson 5, Bee Gees, Joni Mitchell, Crosby, Stills and Nash, and Parliament-Funkadelic.

The Young Rascals and Buffalo Springfield, who broke onto the charts from 1966 to 1968, rounded out the performers honored this year.

Gospel singer Mahalia Jackson and bluegrass band leader Bill Monroe were to be inducted posthumously as early influences. Sydney Nathan, founder of King Records, was to be enshrined as a nonperformer.

Until this year, the inductions were held in New York or Los Angeles, music industry capitals. Although Cleveland got a turn at playing host, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum officials have said it would not be a fixture there.

"Having the inductions in Cleveland is a little like having the Academy Awards in Salt Lake City," said William Hulet, the hall's chief executive officer.

The ceremonies at the

Renaissance Cleveland Hotel were being taped by the VH1 music channel for broadcast Friday and Saturday.

Downtown was jammed late Monday with fans hoping for a peek at the inductees and presenters - including Diana Ross, Tom Petty, James Taylor and the artist formerly known as Prince.

Michael Jackson's arrival late Monday caused a stir - even though no fans got a glimpse of him. Security was out in force outside the hotel where he was staying to keep ardent fans at bay but confirmed he had been taken into the hotel through a private entrance.

Graham Nash had trouble getting into the downtown gallery exhibiting his still photographs and original Crosby, Stills and Nash manuscripts. Partner David Crosby put in a quick appearance and stopped to sign autographs, all the while cuddling with his 2-year-old son Jango.

"It's a great class," Jackie Jackson, who was expected to appear along with his four brothers, said. "Some of these people were our favorite groups - the Funkadelics, the Bee Gees, the Rascals. You can go on and on. I'm so honored to be with those people because they were great - as well as us."

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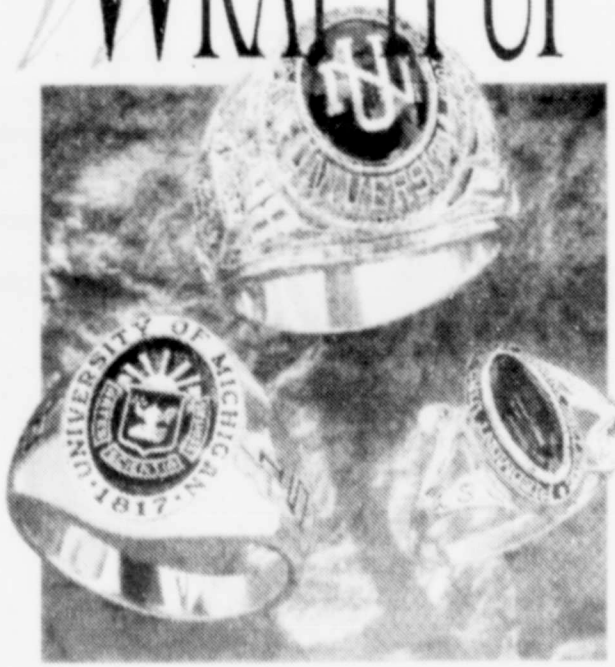
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### UCLA from page 6

some time to collect information and explore all of our options. It's premature for me to tell you (if UCLA will appeal), we have certainly been zealous in looking at all the options."

In a press release, the NCAA said "NCAA rules violations concerning institutional control, financial aid and ethical conduct" were involved in granting scholarships above the NCAA limits for the softball program in 1993-94 and 1994-95.

Further violations by the UCLA athletic program will be considered "repeat violations" if they occur in a five-year period following the Feb. 1, 1997, infractions committee hearing on the softball matter, the NCAA added.

No penalties against any other UCLA sport were ordered by the NCAA. But the school must submit annual reports on its overall scholarship rule compliance. The NCAA committee also ordered rules compliance seminars for coaches and athletic administrators, with particular attention to the multisport athlete scholarships, and recertification of current athletic policies and practices.

### PITINO from page 6

coach, Pitino is 352-124 with four Final Four appearances. In his two seasons with the Knicks, he was 90-74.

He was only 25 when he became coach in 1978-79 at Boston University, which was 17-34 the previous two years. In Pitino's first season, the Terriers were 17-9. In his fifth and last season, they went to the NCAA Tournament for the first time in 24 years.

After two years as a Knicks

In 1995, the softball team, led by Tanya Harding, won the NCAA title. Harding had a 17-1 record and was the winning pitcher in all four victories by the Bruins in the national tournament.

Harding did not become a student until the 1995 season, and did not complete that semester's work - returning home to join Australia's Olympic softball team.

Harding and two other softball players whose scholarships were above the permissible limit were not identified by name in the NCAA announcement.

"I don't think it's appropriate for me to comment," Stephenson said when asked if the athletes were still in school. "None of the infractions dealt with student-athletes violating rules. None of the athletes received extra benefits knowing they shouldn't have."

The committee chairman, law professor David Swank of the University of Oklahoma, said that UCLA removed the senior associate director from the athletic department in 1996.

Not identified by name in the NCAA report, Dr. Judith Holland was reassigned within the university, as was co-softball coach Sharon Backus. Backus is retir-

assistant, he took over a Providence team that was 11-20 in 1984-85. In his two seasons, Pitino took the Friars to the NIT and the Final Four.

His next reclamation project was the Knicks, his hometown team. They struggled in the two seasons before he took over in 1987-88. As the NBA's youngest coach, he led New York to the playoffs in his first season and the division title the next.

Again, it was time to move on.

The NCAA had just placed Kentucky on two-year probation,

ing this year after eight NCAA championships not including the 1995 title.

Swank said the scholarship violations "resulted in a significant competitive advantage for the university in softball" in those 1993-94 and 1994-95 seasons. The scholarship penalties include a reduction of three per year, from 12 to nine, and UCLA must have any new multisport athletes playing softball count against the softball scholarship limit.

The current softball coach, Sue Engquist, a co-coach for eight years, was not involved in the violations, Swank said.

UCLA must return the 1995 softball trophy, and that year's championship will be considered vacant, Swank said. No effort will be made to reclaim individual awards such as championship rings, the NCAA said, but competition records of individuals involved in the scholarship switch will be invalidated.

UCLA won the championship by beating Arizona 4-2 in the finals.

which was to expire after 1990-91, Pitino's second season. During his tenure, the Wildcats were 219-50 with three Final Four appearances.

They beat Syracuse for the national title in 1996 and lost in overtime in the finals to Arizona this year. Kentucky's record in those two seasons: 69-7. The Celtics had four losing streaks of at least seven games this season.

It's up to Pitino to make sure that doesn't happen next season.



**NIKE** *from page 3*

Two of the puppets were skulls atop business suits, with the Nike swoosh for mouths and dollar signs for eyes.

The other was a likeness of Nike CEO Phil Knight, decked out in a red, white and blue suit with a sign that read, "Phil Knight makes \$4,526 a day Indonesian Nike worker makes \$2.50 a day."

Protesters handed out fliers to fans on their way to the Mariners game and urged them to boycott Nike. Throughout the night, they chanted, "Hey, hey, ho, ho, corporate greed has got to go" and "Justice - Do it Nike."

Some protesters wore hats with the figure of a man impaled on the end of a Nike swoosh.

Most fans automatically looked down to check the brand of their shoes as they passed by. Many of them defiantly yelled, "Go Nike" or "I like Nike."

One man hopped his way

through protesters, showing off his Nike shoes and shouting, "But they're cheap, and they're comfortable, and I like them!"

"It's funny to see people get emotional about a clothing company," said protester Joby Emmons, a sophomore biology major. "I'm really shocked at how people are taking this. No one's really aware of what's going on."

Protesters said they were generally surprised by the defensive and aggressive fans.

One man walked past with friends, booming out, "Go Nike." He said he was a Nike supporter, but when told what the protesters were protesting, said, "Well, I guess that's a good cause."

He grinned sheepishly and pushed through the turnstile into the Kingdome.

Some UW students attending the game were not impressed with the protest.

"Would those workers have a job if Nike wasn't there?" asked Ryan Erickson, a civil engineering senior.

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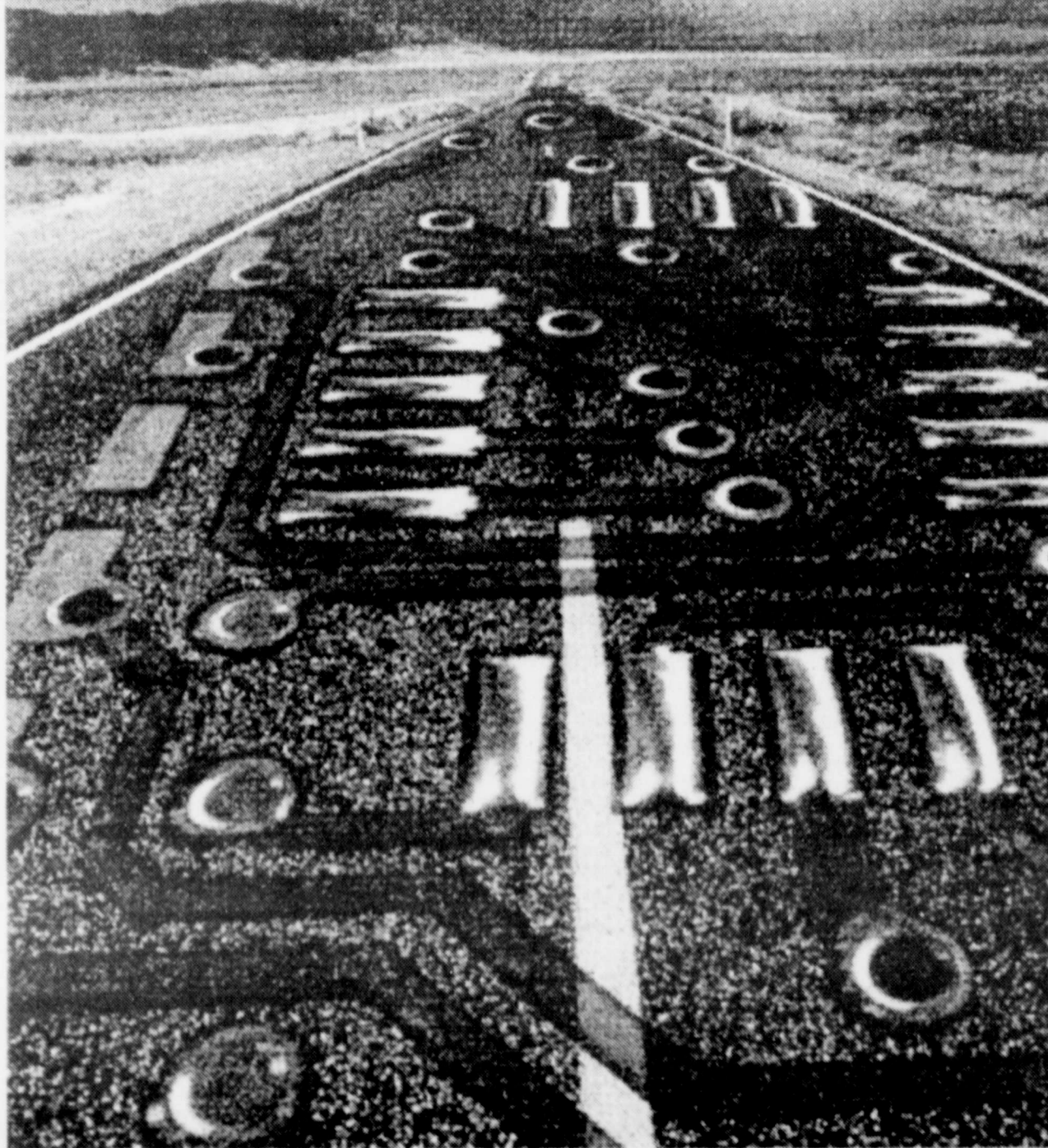
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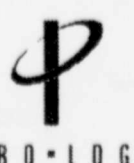
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**McVEIGH** *from page 2*

along with a listing of the possible charges against them.

Ms. McVeigh did eventually give the FBI statements and agree to testify against her brother at his trial only if she could not be prosecuted.

McVeigh attorney Rob Nigh asked if FBI agents told her they were going to investigate the bombing objectively.

"They told me that he was guilty," she said. "He was going to fry."

McVeigh, who was staring intently at his sister from across the courtroom, could get the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy charges.

Aside from that line of questioning, Ms. McVeigh was calm and matter-of-fact, describing her brother's expressions of hatred toward the government in the months before the bombing.

She said five months before the blast he left a file on her computer at her home in upstate New York titled "ATFREED," an apparent reference to the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which played a central role in the deadly 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas.

The message used an obscenity to refer to federal agents and said they would "swing in the wind one day" for their "treasonous actions against the Constitution." It ended with the words: "Die, you spineless, cowardice bastards."

Prosecutors contend McVeigh bombed the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building to avenge the Waco raid, which occurred exactly two years to the day before the blast.

The building housed ATF agents, including Luke Franey, whom prosecutors called as the next witness.

Franey recalled how on the day of the bombing the sound of his co-workers laughing and joking was quickly shattered. Five agents were injured, two seriously.

After this emotional account, the trial switched to another topic: the prepaid telephone calling card that prosecutors say McVeigh used to search for bomb-making materials.

Marketing executive William Sweet said a card account was taken out in November 1993 by a Daryl Bridges, which prosecutors say is an alias for McVeigh. The card was advertised in the right-wing newspaper, the Spotlight.



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## DEATH *from page 2*

doctors remain free to prescribe the two drugs together - 7 million times last year.

The combination, banned in Sweden and Tennessee, is popular at weight loss centers such as Nutri/System, whose doctors wrote several thousand fen-phen prescriptions last year, company spokesman Joseph DiBartolomeo said.

Debate over the combination was rekindled when Ms. Linnen's family filed a lawsuit Monday against the drug makers, a Walgreen's pharmacy and the doctor who prescribed it.

"Instead of walking down the aisle before a bride, I walked behind a casket," said Mary Jo Linnen, mother of the 30-year-old woman, who was 5-foot-6 and weighed 185 to 195 pounds.

Studies show the drugs taken separately cause primary pulmonary hypertension, an elevated blood pressure of the lungs that

can cause the heart to fail - the official cause of Ms. Linnen's death.

But because the drugs were not meant to be taken together, there is no authoritative research to gauge the risk of taking fen-phen.

"There's no question that fen-phen produces primary pulmonary hypertension," said Dr. Lewis Rubin, director of pulmonary and critical care at the University of Maryland Medical System in Baltimore. "There is no question that either drug alone can produce pulmonary hypertension. What we don't know at this point in time is the magnitude of the risk of taking the drugs together."

Rubin, who advised Ms. Linnen's family on her health in late 1996, co-wrote a New England Journal of Medicine study on the link between PPH and appetite suppression. The study, conducted in Europe, found a 23-fold increase in the risk of

PPH among those who took appetite suppressants, including fenfluramine. The study did not examine the fen-phen combination.

Rubin and researchers at 15 medical centers are trying to persuade manufacturers, including Wyeth-Ayerst, to study the effects of fen-phen, Rubin said.

Wyeth-Ayerst spokeswoman Audrey Ashby said the company had not seen the lawsuit and would not comment on it. Because the fen-phen combination is not approved, the company does not recommend it, she said.

The Linnens' lawsuit against the company also names phentermine maker Medeva Pharmaceuticals Inc. of London, pharmacy owner Walgreen Co. of Deerfield, Ill., and Dr. Abby Landzberg of Weymouth, Mass., who prescribed the drug.

## SENTENCE *from page 2*

Of those, 325 complaints have resulted in ongoing criminal investigations, 498 have been closed, 310 were referred to other Army agencies because they didn't involve criminal allegations and 110 were in the preliminary investigative phase.

Spinner insists the sex was consensual and said the convictions also reflect undue influence by top Army commanders, an issue he plans to raise on appeal.

Simpson's sentence also covered five lesser charges to which he had already pleaded guilty. He could be eligible for clemency in five years and eligible for parole after serving one-third of the sentence, or eight years and four months. He will be given credit for serving nearly 14 months.

In closing arguments, the prosecutor, Capt. David Thomas, asked for the maximum penalty of life in prison "to send a message, not only to him but to drill sergeants past and future that what he did will not be tolerated."

Defense attorney Capt. Edward Brady had asked the jury to sentence Simpson to no jail time, saying the panel had already sent a message of deterrence with its guilty verdicts.

"The first step toward rehabilitating a broken, humbled, defeated man is compassion," Brady said.

He later told reporters the sentence and verdict were signals that mixed-gender basic training should be reconsidered.

"It's not working. It's a catastrophe and no one wants to say that," Brady said.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said Defense Secretary William Cohen has visited training bases and has heard the arguments that "it makes sense to have mixed-gender training."

"The Army believes that they should train as they fight," Bacon said.

## CULT *from page 1*

"We didn't know anything about it," Clarke said. "The Sheriff's Department called us about noon and said, 'Do you know these people?' We said we did, and they said, 'We'll be right over.'"

Deputies found both men on the floor, Crist said. Cooke was found face-down with a plastic bag on his head. Humphrey had a plastic bag near him.

Both men had also packed tote bags similar to those found near the bodies of the Heaven's Gate cult members, Crist said.

CNN reported Tuesday that it received what appeared to be a suicide tape from Cooke.

"I would like everyone to understand that I simply cannot stay here any longer and I am leaving because it is time for me to leave," one of the men said in a letter accompanying the tape.

Heaven's Gate cult members, led by Marshall Herff Applewhite, committed suicide in the belief they would be taken to paradise aboard a spaceship trailing the Hale-Bopp comet.

Before taking their own lives, members operated a World Wide Web design business and also set up a site detailing their bizarre theology of Christianity, UFOs and agnosticism.

The Web sites are still operated by former cult members, although they were not updated with news of Tuesday's events.

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athletic complex would be cured because of the money saved. And, I am certain that if Cal Poly doesn't act on a new basketball arena in the near future, head coach Jeff Schneider will have a difficult time ignoring offers from other universities.

Lets look at Santa Clara University, which took the risk of dropping its football program.

Santa Clara dropped its program after the 1991-92 season and has seen the benefits. Its basketball team has become a premier program on the West Coast and qualified for the NCAA tournament twice since dropping football. Both soccer teams are automatic favorites to qualify for the NCAA tournament at the start of every season. Every program has received attention on the national level. None of this would have happened if they didn't have the money to do it. And the money came from the void left by the football program.

Of course, there were some negative ramifications. There were a lot of alumni and local fans who were upset with the decision and pulled their support for the

university. But, for Cal Poly's situation, most of our football alumni haven't helped out one bit in recent years. John Madden made his first appearance last summer at a dinner banquet since ending his golf tournament a few years back and hasn't been heard of since. The only active supporter of the program that I have noticed has been San Diego Chargers' General Manager Bobby Beathard. But he's only contributed some of his time and none of his cash.

Look at the logic in this situation and forget about the attitude that a college needs a football team. Several universities have done away with their programs and benefited tremendously. Students should urge the university to do the same thing, so we can see our athletic teams with potential grow and give our university national attention.

Football is the heavy chain holding us back.

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## Whitewater prosecutor ordered to appear at hearing for Mrs. McDougal

By Deborah Hastings  
Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. - Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr was ordered Tuesday to appear at a hearing for Susan McDougal, who has been jailed for eight months for refusing to testify before the Whitewater grand jury.

Starr's office did not immediately return a phone call seeking comment. He was ordered to appear May 22 by Superior Court Judge Paul Flynn, who is presiding over Mrs. McDougal's pending criminal case in California.

Mrs. McDougal is accused of embezzling about \$150,000 from symphony conductor Zubin Mehta and his wife, Nancy, while working as their bookkeeper and personal assistant from 1989 to 1992. She pleaded innocent in the

Mehta case, which is unrelated to Whitewater. She remains behind bars because she refuses to testify before the federal grand jury investigating the failed Arkansas real estate development called Whitewater.

Mrs. McDougal, her ex-husband, Jim McDougal, and then-Gov. Bill Clinton and wife Hillary were equal partners in the development. Mrs. McDougal has consistently claimed that Starr is conducting "a witch hunt" against the Clintons.

Mrs. McDougal's attorney, Mark Geragos, said Tuesday he wants to put Starr on the witness stand "to get a straight answer" about his client's incarceration. She was brought from Arkansas for a pretrial hearing. Since then, despite orders from Flynn ordering her transferred, she's been held in a solitary confinement in a

Los Angeles jail on the civil contempt charge.

"I can't get the sheriffs or the feds to accept responsibility for her custody," said Geragos, who often refers to his client as "a political prisoner."

Starr was subpoenaed Monday while in San Francisco, Geragos said.

McDougal received a lenient sentence last month of three years in prison after aiding Starr's investigation. He was convicted last year on 18 felony counts and faced up to 84 years imprisonment for defrauding his savings and loan and the federal government.

Mrs. McDougal was sentenced to two years in prison but has yet to begin serving it. She was jailed for contempt in September, and can be held up to 18 months.

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## Football's Booker resigns amid controversy

Daily Staff Report

Cal Poly defensive line coach George Booker resigned Monday after a confrontation with new Cal Poly head coach Larry Welsh, the Telegram-Tribune reported Tuesday.

Citing a difference in philosophy the second-year assistant resigned Monday. A press release from Cal Poly cites his reasoning as, "to pursue other opportunities."

The Telegram-Tribune reports that Booker felt frustrated with Welsh and that Welsh was doing things his way and not listening to Booker or other coaches.

Booker, 29, came to Cal Poly after coaching the defensive line for three years at Montana State University.

Welsh was hired on April 11 to replace Andre Patterson, who left to become an assistant for the New England Patriots.

## Maybe axing it would be best?

By Franco Castaldini  
Special to the Daily

I have jokingly debated about my opinion in the past, but now I'm serious on my stance.

Drop the Cal Poly football program.

For the benefit of the university, the student body, and all other athletic teams, it's time to realize that the football program is going nowhere, yet taking a chunk of money with it.

When Cal Poly athletic teams moved into the Big West Conference, football was left behind. The team remains at the Division I-AA level and competes as an independent because of its low scholarship level.

The only string left that kept the team tightly woven together was coach Andre Patterson who left for the New England Patriots in March.

Then Athletic Director John McCutcheon and the committee to hire a new coach made the worst move yet. When the announcement was made that Cal Poly hired Atascadero High School's football coach Larry Welsh, it reverberated immediate confusion among players, students, and the community and created questions that still haven't been answered.

## Waiting for the pitch

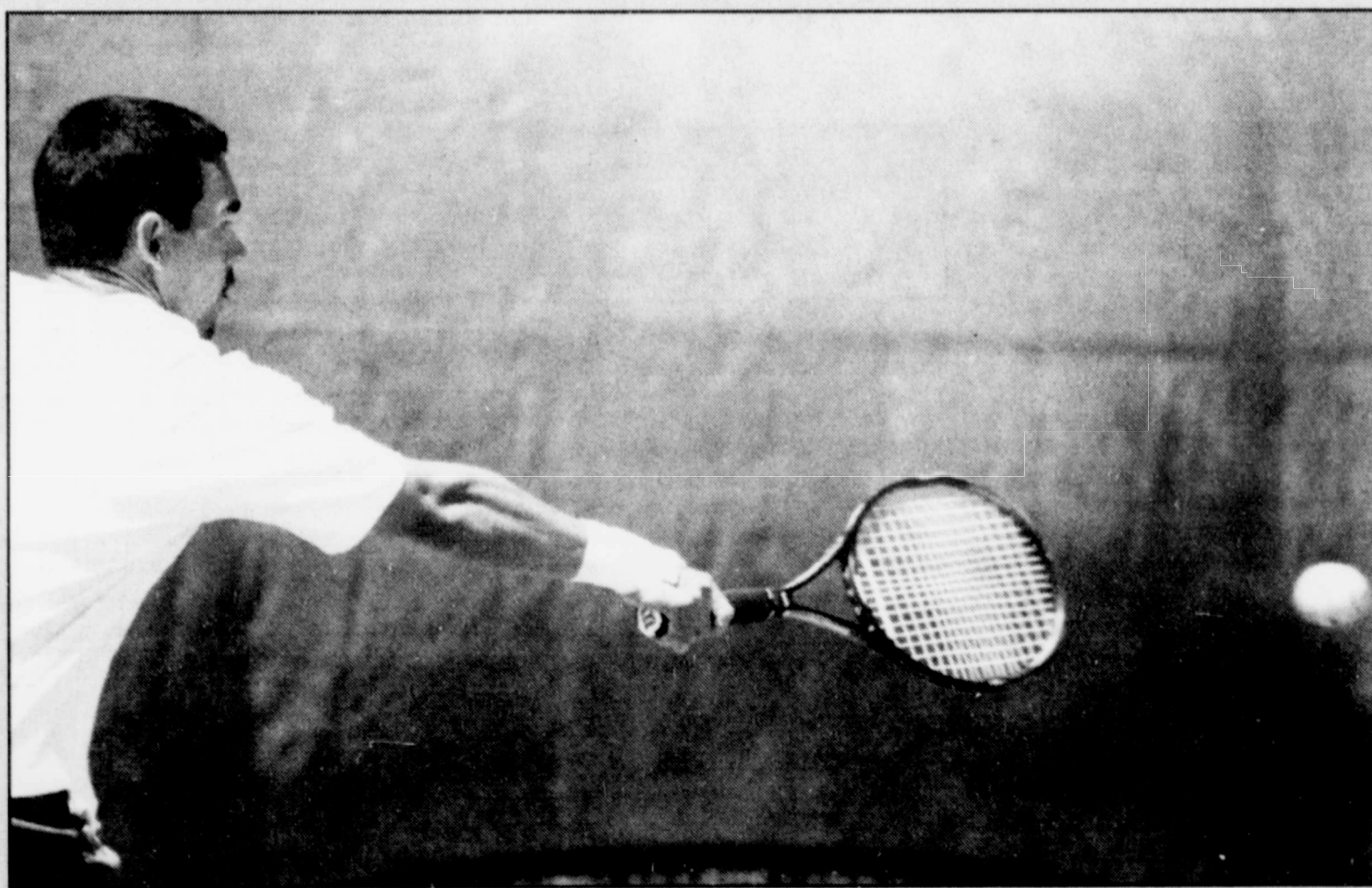


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The Cal Poly softball team swept the Cal State Fullerton Titans last Saturday 5-3 and 6-5. But Sunday they were the victims of a sweep by Long Beach State, 1-0 and 3-1. The Mustangs finish the regular season with a 36-17 overall record and a 17-14 record in the Big West. Cal Poly finished fourth in the Big West. The team will find out if they make it to NCAA Regionals held later in May on Sunday at 6 p.m.

## Just out of reach...

The men's tennis team finished up its season last weekend at the Big West Conference Championship in New Mexico. The Mustangs lost to New Mexico State, 4-0 and University of Idaho 4-0 to end their season. Cal Poly missed an opportunity to play in the NCAA Nationals by finishing seventh in the West region while only the top five were taken.



Daily file photo by Dawn Kalmar

The administration never explained to the local community and the student body why it decided to hire a less qualified coach compared to the other candidates who had abundant experience at the collegiate level. That caused immediate speculation.

All those interested in the situation decided to wait until the season started before judgments were made about Welsh. But, it seems recent developments have already ignited interest in the subject once again.

The hostile departure of defensive line coach George Booker on Monday gives some indication. It told us that Welsh is not favored by the football staff and players.

In fact, I had early conversations with players who indicated that Welsh was not the team's choice. I wasn't certain it would erupt so soon.

My conversations with players told me that the new offensive plays designed by Welsh resembled what they called "high school level." Booker's resignation stemmed from his disagreement with Welsh's defensive philosophy. In a recent Telegram-Tribune article Booker said, "I've tried to show him ...that he's doing stuff that's outdated in football and I've talked to people in the pros and big colleges and they laugh at what I tell them."

The succession of negative

events for the Cal Poly football program causes me to believe that the university would benefit without a team.

Just in the past year we have witnessed immediate potential with several other teams. The men's basketball team has probably the most potential, with its talented coaching staff probably receiving phone calls for highly paid positions in already established programs.

The softball team has been consistently ranked among the top ten teams in the nation the entire season. And the baseball team broke into the rankings this year by defeating teams like Fresno State. Both soccer teams had

immediate success in their new conferences.

All of these teams with great potential to give Cal Poly national attention are lacking one thing that the football team is taking away from them. Money.

If the program was dropped it would free up the money used for football scholarships (35 last year), traveling expenses, and equipment. Obviously, the football program takes the biggest chunk because it has the largest number of participants and uses the most equipment.

Over time, the headache over where to find money for the new

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